BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO QUESTION RAISED AT HEARINGS ON AUGUST 3, 2000

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its response to a question raised at the hearings on August 3, 2000 (witness Patelunas) at Tr. 35/16830-31.

The question is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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QUESTION: The Postal Service was asked by Chairman Gleiman to produce "updates to Library Reference 335, which pertain to rural carrier cost calculated with annual Carrier Cost System data. . . ." Tr. 35/16830-31.

RESPONSE:

The requested information is contained in USPS-LR-I-455.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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